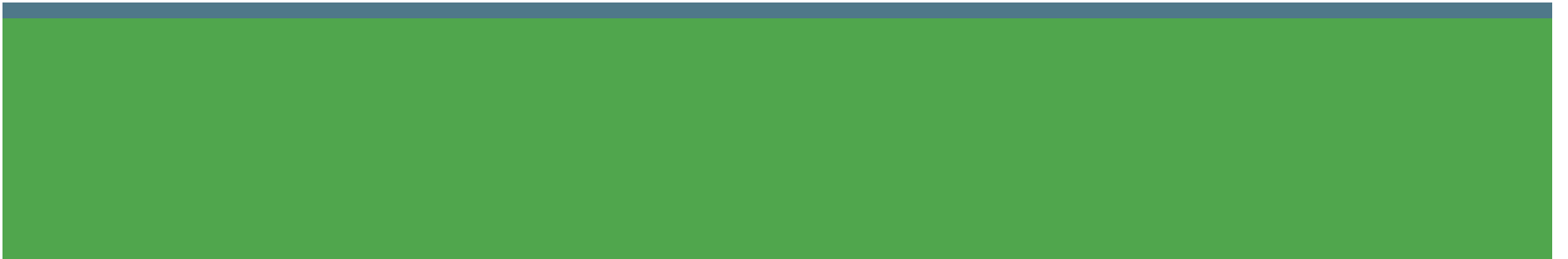


# Region 3 Environmental Scan

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The following assets represent the existing organizations, initiatives, and investments that are fueling workforce and educational development in Region 3 within the Pre-K to Career continuum. Assessing all of the current educational and employment assets within Region 3 is the first step towards effectively leveraging resources in order to cultivate a stronger regional workforce.

## Pre-K – 12 Assets

School Districts/Corporations ▫ Career & Technical Education ▫ Jobs for America’s Graduates ▫ Head Start ▫ Child Care Center ▫ School Age Program

A student’s career trajectory begins long before searching for their first job. Pre-K through high school education lays the foundation for success, both through in-school programming like Career and Technical Education, and various extracurricular activities. Each plays an important role in a student’s educational and personal development.

School Districts		
Adams Central Community Schools	MSD Bluffton-Harrison	South Adams Schools
Central Noble Com School Corporation	MSD Southwest Allen County Schools	Southern Wells Community Schools
DeKalb Co Ctl United School Dist	MSD Steuben County	Wabash City Schools
DeKalb Co Eastern Com School Dist	MSD Wabash County Schools	West Noble School Corporation
East Allen County Schools	Madison-Grant United School Corporation	Westview School Corporation
East Noble School Corporation	Manchester Community Schools	Whitko Community School Corporation
Eastbrook Community School Corporation	Marion Community Schools	Whitley Co Cons Schools
Fort Wayne Community Schools	Mississinewa Community School Corporation	
Fremont Community Schools	North Adams Community Schools	
Garrett-Keyser-Butler Community Schools	Northern Wells Community Schools	
Hamilton Community Schools	Northwest Allen County Schools	
Huntington Co Community School Corporation	Prairie Heights Community School Corporation	
Lakeland School Corporation	Smith-Green Community Schools	

*Source: Indiana Department of Education*

Career and Technical Education		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Anthis Career Center	The mission of the Anthis Career Center is to provide students with skills to succeed and opportunities to use those skills.	<a href="http://anthis.fwcs.k12.in.us/">http://anthis.fwcs.k12.in.us/</a>
Area 18 CTE Cooperative	Our schools have continuously worked to implement career programs that bring workplace relevance to the hallways of our high schools. The integration of academics with real-world career programs happens every day in Area 18 high schools. It is no accident that our schools earned an "A" for making sure that students are College and Career Ready!	<a href="http://www.area18.org">www.area18.org</a>
Heartland Career Center	The mission of Heartland Career Center is to provide a stimulating environment and opportunities for students to learn technical skills, attitudes, knowledge, and understanding designed to promote occupational preparation that will be effective in today's and tomorrow's technical society.	<a href="http://www.hcc.k12.in.us">www.hcc.k12.in.us.</a>
IMPACT INSTITUTE	Mission: IMPACT INSTITUTE is a coalition of schools that support and foster career and technical education for students in multiple counties. We will partner with students, schools, staff, parents, and business leaders to embrace career readiness and empower post-secondary success.	<a href="http://www.impactinstitute.net">www.impactinstitute.net</a>
Tucker Career & Technology Center	Mission: Tucker Career & Technology Center will develop in every student (relevant) technical, academics and job readiness skills.	<a href="http://tucker.marion.k12.in.us/">http://tucker.marion.k12.in.us/</a>

Jobs For America's Graduates		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
DeKalb High School	Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) is a state-based national non-profit organization dedicated to preventing dropouts among young people who are most at-risk. JAG helps young people stay in school through graduation, pursue post-secondary education and secure quality entry-level jobs leading to career advancement opportunities.	<a href="http://dhs.dekalbcentral.net/home">http://dhs.dekalbcentral.net/home</a>
East Noble High School		<a href="http://hs.eastnoble.net/">http://hs.eastnoble.net/</a>
Garrett High School		<a href="http://www.gkb.k12.in.us/highschool.html">http://www.gkb.k12.in.us/highschool.html</a>
Heritage High School		<a href="http://hhs.eacs.k12.in.us/">http://hhs.eacs.k12.in.us/</a>
Huntington North High School		<a href="http://www.hnhs.hccsc.k12.in.us/">http://www.hnhs.hccsc.k12.in.us/</a>
Impact Institute		<a href="http://www.impactinstitute.net">www.impactinstitute.net</a>
Manchester High School		<a href="http://www.mcs.k12.in.us/mhs/home-new/">http://www.mcs.k12.in.us/mhs/home-new/</a>
Marion High School		<a href="http://www.marion.k12.in.us/">http://www.marion.k12.in.us/</a>
New Haven High School		<a href="http://nhh.eacs.k12.in.us/">http://nhh.eacs.k12.in.us/</a>

North Side High School		<a href="http://northside.fwcs.k12.in.us/">http://northside.fwcs.k12.in.us/</a>
Northrop High School		<a href="http://northrop.fwcs.k12.in.us/">http://northrop.fwcs.k12.in.us/</a>
Snider High School		<a href="http://snider.fwcs.k12.in.us/">http://snider.fwcs.k12.in.us/</a>
South Side High School		<a href="http://southside.fwcs.k12.in.us/">http://southside.fwcs.k12.in.us/</a>
Wayne High School		<a href="http://wayne.fwcs.k12.in.us/">http://wayne.fwcs.k12.in.us/</a>

Source: *Jobs for America's Graduates of Indiana*

Head Start		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Carey Services, Inc.	Head Start promotes school preparation by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services.	<a href="http://www.careyservices.com">http://www.careyservices.com</a>
Community Action of Northeast Indiana, Inc.		<a href="http://www.canihelp.org">http://www.canihelp.org</a>
Fremont Community Schools		Not Readily Available
Garrett-Keyser-Butler Community Head Start and Early Head Start		<a href="http://www.gkbheadstart.org">http://www.gkbheadstart.org</a>
Marion Community Schools		<a href="http://www.marion.k12.in.us">http://www.marion.k12.in.us</a>
Pathfinder Services, Inc.		<a href="http://www.kidskampus.org">www.kidskampus.org</a>

Source: *Indianaheadstart.org*

Child Care Center		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Peace Montessori School	School for elementary students grades 1-8.	Not available
Crescent Avenue Weekday School	Socialization, Teamwork, Conflict Resolution	Not available
Kiddie Academy of Fort Wayne	breaks and weather times off we have full curriculum for them	Not available
Kiddie Prep School	Kiddie Prep School has a "Before and After School" program for children age 5 to children age 12. Area schools transport children to and from Kiddie Prep School by bus. The children are given an opportunity to complete homework, as well as play and interact with their friends. We also have a summer day camp for children who have completed Kindergarten up to the age of 12.	<a href="http://kiddieprepschool.org/">http://kiddieprepschool.org/</a>
Kimbrough Early Learning Center	Before and After school care and adaptive sports and recreation.	<a href="http://www.turnstone.org">www.turnstone.org</a>
Rainbow Child Care Center	We offer a wonderfully diverse Summer Camp program as well as a full before and after school program for children including tutoring and homework help.	<a href="http://www.rainbowccc.com">www.rainbowccc.com</a>
Kendallville Day Care Center, Inc.	Kendallville Day Care Centers School-Age program uses the Indiana	<a href="http://www.kendallvilldaycare.org">www.kendallvilldaycare.org</a>

	After School Standards as well the nationally recognized Creative Curriculum to develop the curriculum, classroom environment, and weekly experience plans. Our after school program provides a destination for children to get off the bus, eat a healthy snack, and participate in experiences of interest that are academically enriching as well as fun and exciting.	
Little Lambs Daycare Inc.	Before and after school and Summer adventure program.	Not available
Manchester Early Learning Center	Before & after school care and care during the summer and school breaks	Not available
Churubusco Community Child Care Center, Inc.	We care for children through age twelve before school, after school, and during school delays, cancellations or breaks. We have a very active and educational curriculum. We participate in reading programs, science and exploration, and having lots of fun.	<a href="http://www.buscochildcare.org">www.buscochildcare.org</a>
YMCA of DeKalb County	Programs, classes and activities are designed to engage children and help them develop the values, skills and confidence they'll need to succeed as adults.	<a href="http://www.ymcadekalb.org">www.ymcadekalb.org</a>
First Beginnings of Waterloo	First Beginnings Day Care of Waterloo provides learning experiences for young children. We offer building blocks for our students' lives.	<a href="http://www.firstbeginningsdaycare.com">www.firstbeginningsdaycare.com</a>

Source: Indiana Afterschool Network

School Age Program		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Fort Wayne Children's Zoo Summer Safari Day Camp	Your child can spend a wild week at the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo's Summer Safari Day Camp! Now in its 26th year, Summer Safari Day Camp fosters a love of nature and animals while encouraging teamwork and friendship. We'll explore the zoo, meet friendly zoo animals, and make memories that will last a lifetime. Voted Fort Wayne's Number One Day Camp!	<a href="http://www.kidszoo.org">www.kidszoo.org</a>
Friendship Company	The Friendship Company is a service provided by Southwest Allen county Schools for students in Kindergarten to fifth grade.	<a href="http://sacs.schoolwires.net/site/Default.aspx?PageID=784">http://sacs.schoolwires.net/site/Default.aspx?PageID=784</a>
Jorgensen Family YMCA - Before and After school Childcare	The YMCA is a Christian based childcare with an emphasis on our core values of caring, honesty, respect, responsibility, and faith.	<a href="http://www.fwymca.org">www.fwymca.org</a>
LEARN Program	We provide an educationally based Before and After School care in the East Allen Elementary Schools. We are in NH Primary, NH Intermediate, and Heritage Elementary. We also provide a summer	<a href="http://www.learnresourcecenter.org">www.learnresourcecenter.org</a>

	program.	
Parkview North YMCA	Not provided	<a href="http://www.fwymca.org">www.fwymca.org</a>
Renaissance Pointe Family YMCA	The Renaissance Pointe YMCA officers a quality before and after care program.	<a href="http://www.fwymca.org.renaissance_point_e_ymca.php">http://www.fwymca.org.renaissance_point_e_ymca.php</a>
Whitley County YMCA	The Whitley County YMCA provides quality care for working parents. In the afternoons, students are provided a snack, homework assistance, and other structured activities, including games, crafts, and more.	<a href="http://www.fwymca.org">www.fwymca.org</a>
YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne	At the Y we believe all kids deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve. In our before and after school programs, youth are cultivating the values, skills and relationships that lead to positive behaviors, better health and education achievement.	<a href="http://www.fwymca.org">www.fwymca.org</a>
Grant County YMCA	Our focus is on respect, responsibility, honesty, and caring. We promote and encourage healthy lifestyles. Kids have time for homework, a healthy snack, and physical activity every day.	<a href="http://www.grantcountymca.org">www.grantcountymca.org</a>
The Training Center - Academic Enrichment Program	The Training Center is an academic enrichment program partnering with families and the community to provide a place where students can excel in academics and character.	<a href="http://www.trainingcentermarion.com">www.trainingcentermarion.com</a>
Boys and Girls Club of Huntington	Not provided	<a href="http://www.bgchuntington.com">www.bgchuntington.com</a>
The Salvation Army Latchkey	The Latchkey Program is designed to be a safe and secure setting for children to enjoy a positive environment. The program has many things to offer students such as homework help, group reading time, and self-soothing meditations that teach the children to maintain in stressful situations. This is combined with arts, crafts, games, as well as free play time for the children in the school gyms or on the playgrounds.	Not Readily Available
Lakeland School Corporation - Latchkey Program	The Lakeland Latchkey program is located at Parkside Elementary School. The program provides quality before and after school care for students. It provides an academically enriching curriculum that may include technology, arts and crafts, reading time, and homework assistance.	<a href="http://www.lakeland.k12.in.us">www.lakeland.k12.in.us</a>
Cole Center Family YMCA	This program offers homework help each day in aftercare. Students also play games, do craft activities, swim once a week.	<a href="http://www.coleymca.net">www.coleymca.net</a>
Kendallville Park & Recreation Dept. Summer Day Camp	We offer a 6 week summer day camp program held within our park. It runs from June 16th-July 25th and is for children going into grades first through seventh.	<a href="http://www.kendallville-in.org/Departments/Park">www.kendallville-in.org/Departments/Park</a>

New DAWN Afterschool Program	New DAWN (Dimensions at West Noble) is our afterschool program in partnership with West Noble School Corporation. The program is offered to all students in the West Noble School Corporation in grades 2-6. The program is held at West Noble Middle School every Monday through Thursday that school is being held	<a href="http://www.leapofnoblecounty.org">www.leapofnoblecounty.org</a>
Best After School Enrichment (BASE) Camp	An after school program that helps in completion of homework but also providing enrichment activities for both students and parents in STEM	Not available
MSD of Steuben County After School Child Care	Sports, outdoor play, table games, study time, reading groups, crafts, snack time, computer games	<a href="http://www.msdsteuben.k12.in.us">www.msdsteuben.k12.in.us</a>
SLAM DUNK	SLAM DUNK is a 21st CCLC After School program offering students the opportunity to participate in academic clubs, receive homework assistance or tutoring, and character development.	<a href="http://www.steubenliteracy.org">www.steubenliteracy.org</a>
SPARK	SPARK is a summer learning loss prevention program that boosts literacy skills of strategic readers and provides enrichment activities such as art, music, character development, physical activity, nutrition education and field trips.	<a href="http://www.wabashcountyyymca.org">www.wabashcountyyymca.org</a>
Bear Care Program	Before and after school day care for enrolled students at Ossian Elementary.	<a href="http://www.nwcs.k12.in.us">www.nwcs.k12.in.us</a>
Bobcat Care	Before and after child care for preschool thru 5th grade	Not available
Kosciusko Community YMCA Kids' Club	The Y Kids' Club Before and After School Development Program is based on its Christian mission and purpose. The specific outcome of the before and after school developmental program include but are not limited to: complete homework and demonstrate a commitment to learning, read for pleasure, demonstrate a commitment to learning and using problem-solving skills.	<a href="http://www.kcymca.org">www.kcymca.org</a>
YMCA of DeKalb County	School Age Child Care is an exciting and challenging place, where children age K-12 years, stretch their skills in mind and body. Our program offers a combination of free-choice and structured activities. Expanded curriculum includes: arts and crafts, literature, homework, free game play with peers, healthy snacks, swim time, and outdoor activities. To be enrolled, your child must have a current membership.	<a href="http://www.dekalbymca.org">www.dekalbymca.org</a>
Right at School, DeKalb Central Schools	Right At School provides safe, engaging, and meaningful in-school and extracurricular programs to enrich the lives of students, give parents peace of mind, and enable schools to focus on their academic mission. Right at School will be serving DeKalb Central School United District.	<a href="http://www.rightatschool.org">www.rightatschool.org</a>

Source: Indiana Afterschool Network

# Post-Secondary Education Assets

## College Success Coalitions ▫ Post- Secondary Educational Institutions

Most jobs today require some level of post-secondary education, whether a certificate, associate's degree, bachelor's degree, or beyond. These resources are key to delivering important educational programs and promoting students' success academically, all while preparing students for the workforce upon graduation.

College Success Coalitions		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Adams County College Success Coalition	The Indiana College Success Coalitions is a network of state and local organizations interested in increasing college access and success within the State of Indiana. Member organizations include local government, businesses, agencies, schools, local media, libraries, youth service organizations, service clubs, community foundations, faith-based organizations and others. Local organizations are part of county-level coalitions while statewide organizations are part of the state-level coalition. Collectively, these coalitions make up the Indiana College Success Coalition.	<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=1">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=1</a>
Allen County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=2">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=2</a>
DeKalb County Career Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=17">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=17</a>
Grant County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=27">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=27</a>
Huntington County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=35">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=35</a>
LaGrange County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=44">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=44</a>
Noble County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=57">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=57</a>
Steuben County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=76">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=76</a>
Wabash County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=85">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=85</a>
Wells County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=90">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=90</a>
Whitley County College Success Coalition		<a href="http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=92">http://cgi.asainstitute.org/cgi-bin/csc/countyinfo?id=92</a>



Post- Secondary Institutions		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Huntington University	Huntington University is a Christ-centered liberal arts institution of higher education with a strong historic and ongoing relationship with the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, USA. With the conviction that all truth is God's truth, the University exists to carry out the mission of Christ in higher education.	<a href="https://www.huntington.edu/">https://www.huntington.edu/</a>
Indiana Tech	Indiana Tech provides learners of all ages with career-focused professional education in the areas of business, computer studies, engineering, and other professional concentrations; prepares them for active participation in the complex, global society of the 21st century; and motivates them toward a life of significance and worth.	<a href="http://www.indianatech.edu">www.indianatech.edu</a>
Indiana University- Purdue University Fort Wayne	Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW) is a comprehensive university that provides local access to globally recognized baccalaureate and graduate programs that drive the intellectual, social, economic, and cultural advancement of our students and our region.	<a href="http://www.ipfw.edu">www.ipfw.edu</a>
Indiana Wesleyan University	Indiana Wesleyan University is a Christ-centered academic community committed to changing the world by developing students in character, scholarship and leadership.	<a href="http://www.indwes.edu">www.indwes.edu</a>
ITT Tech- Fort Wayne	The ITT Technical Institutes are a leading private college system focused on technology-oriented programs of study. The ITT Technical Institutes predominantly offer career-focused, degree programs to students.	<a href="http://www.itt-tech.edu/">http://www.itt-tech.edu/</a>
Ivy Tech Community College- Northeast	Ivy Tech Community College prepares Indiana residents to learn, live, and work in a diverse and globally competitive environment by delivering professional, technical, transfer and lifelong education. Through its affordable, open-access education and training programs, the College enhances the development of Indiana's citizens and communities and strengthens its economy	<a href="http://www.ivytech.edu/">http://www.ivytech.edu/</a>
Ivy Tech Community College-Marion		
Ivy Tech Community College-Wabash		
Manchester College	Manchester University respects the infinite worth of every individual and graduates persons of ability and conviction who draw upon their education and faith to lead principled, productive, and compassionate lives that improve the human condition.	<a href="http://www.manchester.edu">www.manchester.edu</a>
University of Saint Francis	As a Catholic university rooted in the liberal arts, we are a welcoming community of learners challenged by Franciscan values and charism, engaged in a continuous pursuit of knowledge, faith, wisdom, and justice, and ever mindful of a tradition that emphasizes reverence for creation, compassion and peacemaking. We strive for academic excellence in all programs, preparing women and men to contribute to the world through service and leadership.	<a href="http://www.sf.edu">www.sf.edu</a>

Taylor University	The mission of Taylor University is to develop servant leaders marked with a passion to minister Christ's redemptive love and truth to a world in need.	<a href="http://www.taylor.edu">www.taylor.edu</a>
Trine University	Trine University promotes intellectual and personal development, through professionally focused and formative learning opportunities, preparing students to succeed, lead, and serve.	<a href="http://www.trine.edu">www.trine.edu</a>
Western Governors University Indiana	The principal mission of Western Governors University is to improve quality and expand access to post-secondary educational opportunities by providing a means for individuals to learn independent of time and place and to earn competency-based degrees and other credentials that are credible to both academic institutions and employers	<a href="http://www.indiana.wgu.edu">www.indiana.wgu.edu</a>

# Adult & Workforce Assets

## Adult Basic Education ▫ WorkOne ▫ Vocational Rehabilitation

When students are not successful in traditional academic systems, Adult Basic Educational programs provide remediation and the fundamental skills employees must have to thrive in Indiana's changing economy. WorkOne resources also work to bridge employment and skills gaps for those who may be un- or under-employed and help employers find properly trained employees.

Adult Basic Education		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Adams WorkOne	Indiana Adult Education programs provide math, reading, and writing instruction free of charge to help you acquire the skills needed to earn a high school equivalency, go to college, or enter an entry-level occupational certification program.	Not Readily Available
Fort Wayne Adult Education	Our goal is provide current, affordable, high-quality educational and recreational opportunities and enable our residents to take advantage of our facilities.	<a href="http://fwcs.k12.in.us/continuing_education/continuing_education.php">http://fwcs.k12.in.us/continuing_education/continuing_education.php</a>
IMPACT INSTITUTE	The mission of IMPACT INSTITUTE is to ensure delivery of foundational skills development, career pathways, and academic and career counseling services to adults and out-of-school youth for the purposes of employment, reemployment, or enhanced employment.	<a href="http://www.impactinstitute.net/">http://www.impactinstitute.net/</a>
Learn More Center	The Learn More Center seeks to eliminate illiteracy, encourage educational attainment, and advance employability through its programs.	<a href="http://learnmorecenter.org/wp/">http://learnmorecenter.org/wp/</a>
The Literacy Alliance	The Literacy Alliance strives to end illiteracy by teaching adults through learning centers, literacy programs, and tutoring services that empower individuals to succeed at work, at home, and in the community.	<a href="http://www.fwliteracyalliance.org/">http://www.fwliteracyalliance.org/</a>
Tucker Career & Technology Center	Indiana Adult Education programs provide math, reading, and writing instruction free of charge to help you acquire the skills needed to earn a high school equivalency, go to college, or enter an entry-level occupational certification program.	<a href="http://tucker.marion.k12.in.us/index.cfm?pagetype=260&amp;dir=2">http://tucker.marion.k12.in.us/index.cfm?pagetype=260&amp;dir=2</a>

Source: Indiana Adult Education

WorkOne		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Wells County WorkOne Express	The WorkOne Center is the heart of the workforce development system. It's where WorkOne staff help people find a new or better job, choose a career, access training or get the information needed to succeed in today's job market.	<a href="http://www.workonenortheast.org/">http://www.workonenortheast.org/</a>
WorkOne - Allen County		
WorkOne - DeKalb County		
WorkOne - Grant County		
WorkOne Express - Adams County		
WorkOne Express - Huntington County		
WorkOne Express - LaGrange County		
WorkOne Express - Noble County		
WorkOne Express - Steuben Community Center		
WorkOne Express - Wabash County		
WorkOne Express - Whitley County		

Vocational Rehabilitation		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Vocational Rehabilitation Services Area 7 & 8	Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS), a program of the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services (BRS), provides quality individualized services to enhance and support people with disabilities to prepare for, obtain or retain employment.	<a href="http://www.VRS.IN.gov">www.VRS.IN.gov</a>
Vocational Rehabilitation Services Area 10		

Source: [www.vrs.in.gov](http://www.vrs.in.gov)

# Business & Industry Assets

## Economic Development Organizations

While each step in the continuum is vital, local business and industry are true drivers of change and shape workforce needs. Whether building a coalition to support local industries, attracting new businesses to the region, and any step in between, business and industry must be active participants in order for the system to be effective.

Local Economic Development Organization		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Adams County Economic Development Corporation	The Adams County Economic Development Corporation (ACEDC), a not-for-profit corporation, was originated to assist business development needs. We partner with local, regional and state agencies to create a strong link for industry interests. We aspire to support and enhance the diversification of our industry base by exploring opportunities with both domestic and international relations.	<a href="http://www.adamscountyedc.com">www.adamscountyedc.com</a>
Greater Fort Wayne Inc.	Mission: Together, we're growing a more prosperous, vibrant community in Greater Fort Wayne. Vision: Greater Fort Wayne will be recognized among the top metro centers in the country, home to innovative business, collaborative leaders, spirited entrepreneurs and a culturally rich, prosperous community.	<a href="http://www.greaterfortwayneinc.com">www.greaterfortwayneinc.com</a>
DeKalb County Economic Development Partnership, Inc.	The mission of DeKalb County Economic Development Partnership, Inc. is to improve the quality of life for the citizens of DeKalb County through enhanced employment opportunities resulting from the responsible growth of business and industry.	<a href="http://www.dekalbcountyedp.org">www.dekalbcountyedp.org</a>
Grant County Economic Growth Council	The mission of the Grant County Economic Growth Council is "to facilitate investment and reinvestment for job retention and creation"	<a href="http://www.grantcounty.com">www.grantcounty.com</a>
Huntington County United Economic Development	Mission: To maintain a unified economic development effort throughout Huntington County in order to promote opportunities for new job creation and capital investment in Huntington County. Vision: To make Huntington County a better place to live and work.	<a href="http://www.hcued.com">www.hcued.com</a>
Lagrange County Economic Development Corporation	Our approach centers on four main areas of concentration: business retention and expansion, business attraction, entrepreneurial development and improving overall quality of life. This process guides us on our mission to	<a href="http://www.lagrangecountyedc.com">www.lagrangecountyedc.com</a>

	better the lives of LaGrange County citizens, both individual and corporate, through the responsible growth and enhanced opportunities that economic development brings.	
Noble County Economic Development Corporation	The mission of the Noble County Economic Development Corporation is to provide coordinated economic development resources promoting the assets of Noble County. Maximize the economic potential of Noble County's assets.	<a href="http://www.noblecountyedc.com">www.noblecountyedc.com</a>
Steuben County Economic Development Corporation	Steuben County will develop and sustain a diversified economy that promotes economic growth and innovation by embracing the ingenuity of employers, cultivating a highly-educated workforce, and maintaining a high quality of life valued by residents and visitors alike.	<a href="http://www.steubenedc.com">www.steubenedc.com</a>
Economic Development Group of Wabash County	The Economic Development Group of Wabash County is dedicated to providing consultants, site selectors and business leaders the information and opportunities necessary to expand, start or relocate businesses in Wabash County, Indiana.	<a href="http://www.edgwc.com">www.edgwc.com</a>
Wells County Economic Development	We use a region-wide approach to initiatives necessary for success, including workforce development, transportation enhancement, entrepreneurialism, and overall quality of life.	<a href="http://www.wellsedc.com">www.wellsedc.com</a>
Whitley County Economic Development Corporation	The Whitley County EDC serves as a single point of contact for business and industry in Whitley County, Indiana. The EDC brings a unique skill set to the table for each client. At the Whitley County EDC, we work together with you to plan, build and equip your business through every stage. By listening to your specific needs, we are able to create a custom toolbox solution that will take your business to the next stage, at no cost to you.	<a href="http://www.whitleyedc.com">www.whitleyedc.com</a>

Source: IEDC

Regional Economic Development Organization		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Energize—ECI (East Central Indiana)	Formed in 2005, Energize-ECI, Inc. is a pro-active private-public partnership with a mission to market the assets and resources of the 10-county East Central Indiana (ECI) region and to team with local economic development organizations (LEDOs) and the Indiana Economic Development Corporation to bring capital investment and new jobs to the region and to assist existing ECI businesses grow and prosper.	<a href="http://www.Energize-ECI.org">www.Energize-ECI.org</a>
Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership	Mission: To attract new business investment by generating business leads and building regional capacity through product development and effective regional collaboration. Vision: The Partnership is one of the top performing regional economic development organizations in the nation.	<a href="http://www.NEIndiana.com">www.NEIndiana.com</a>

Source: IEDC

# Local & Regional Planning Assets

Community Foundations ▫ Regional Works Councils ▫ Local Workforce Investment Boards ▫ Regional Planning

Each regional asset above plays a key role in developing a healthy workforce. However, the overarching planning organizations and initiatives provide the direction and collaboration to keep Indiana competitive on a national and global level. These institutions have the ability to align resources, and promote efficiency to achieve the most important regional objectives.

Community Foundation		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Adam County Community Foundation	Building partnerships between donors and community to enrich and enhance the quality of life in Adams County.	<a href="http://www.adamscountyfoundation.org/">http://www.adamscountyfoundation.org/</a>
Community Foundation of Grant County	The mission of the Community Foundation of Grant County is to connect people, resources, and causes to promote sustainable impact towards the betterment of Grant County.	<a href="http://givetogrant.org/">http://givetogrant.org/</a>
Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne	The mission of the Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne is to serve as a community leader to improve the quality of life by building permanent endowments, promoting effective grant making, fostering philanthropy, stimulating community dialogue, and helping donors achieve their charitable goals	<a href="http://www.cfgfw.org/">http://www.cfgfw.org/</a>
Community Foundation of Wabash County	We serve the citizens of Wabash County by implementing their charitable aspirations, making grants, investing and safeguarding charitable assets, providing information regarding charitable endeavors, and convening citizens and linking resources to address issues confronting our shared lives.	<a href="http://www.cfwabash.org/">http://www.cfwabash.org/</a>
Community Foundation Partnership Inc.	Not available	<a href="http://cfpartner.org/">http://cfpartner.org/</a>
Community Foundation of DeKalb County	The Community Foundation of DeKalb County promotes community philanthropy by offering local citizens the opportunity to leave a charitable legacy that will sustain and improve life in our county. Learning Link, an educational initiative led by Community Foundation DeKalb County, is aimed at improving the quality of life for all in DeKalb County, Indiana, through continuous learning.	<a href="http://www.cfdekalb.org/">http://www.cfdekalb.org/</a> <a href="http://www.lldekalb.org/">http://www.lldekalb.org/</a>
Huntington County Community Foundation	Established in 1991, the Huntington County Community Foundation's mission is to work to enhance the quality of life in	<a href="http://www.huntingtonccf.org/">http://www.huntingtonccf.org/</a>

	Huntington County, providing leadership and opportunities through the development and utilization of a growing endowment fund.	
Lagrange County Community Foundation	The mission of LaGrange County Community Foundation is to inspire and sustain generosity, leadership and service in our community	<a href="http://www.lccf.net/">http://www.lccf.net/</a>
Noble County Community Foundation	To improve the quality of life in Noble County by serving as a catalyst for positive change, enabling donors to carry out charitable intent, and making grants.	<a href="http://noblecountycf.org/">http://noblecountycf.org/</a>
Steuben County Community Foundation	Connecting people who care with needs that matter to our community.	<a href="http://www.steubenfoundation.org/home/4583313294">http://www.steubenfoundation.org/home/4583313294</a>
Wabash Valley Community Foundation	The Wabash Valley Community Foundation's mission is engaging people, building resources and strengthening community.	<a href="http://www.wvcf.com/">http://www.wvcf.com/</a>
Wells County Foundation Inc.	The mission of the Wells County Foundation is to enhance the present and future quality of life of the Wells County Community.	<a href="http://www.wellscountyfound.org/">http://www.wellscountyfound.org/</a>
Whitley County Community Foundation.	Not available	<a href="http://www.whitleycountycommunityfoundation.org/">http://www.whitleycountycommunityfoundation.org/</a>

Regional Works Council		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Region 3 Works Council	The Works Councils are charged with facilitating sector partnerships within their region and enhancing the career readiness of Hoosier adults and high school students through the development and support of innovative career and technical education (CTE) curricula	<a href="http://in.gov/irwc/region3/index.htm">http://in.gov/irwc/region3/index.htm</a>

Workforce Investment Board		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
Northeast Indiana Regional Workforce Board	Not available	<a href="http://www.workonenortheast.org/regional-information/regional-workforce-investment-board.html">http://www.workonenortheast.org/regional-information/regional-workforce-investment-board.html</a>

Regional Planning		
Organization	Mission Statement	Website
The Big Goal Collaborative	The Big Goal is one of seven priorities identified by Vision 2020. It aims to increase the percentage of Northeast Indiana residents	<a href="http://www.neindiana.com/vision/priorities/big-goal-collaborative">www.neindiana.com/vision/priorities/big-goal-collaborative</a>



	with high-quality degrees or credentials to 60% by 2025.	
Early Childhood Alliance	Our mission is to build better futures for young children by promoting and providing quality early childhood education and services for families, early childhood professionals and the community.	<a href="http://www.ecalliance.org/">http://www.ecalliance.org/</a>